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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

National Board for Education Sciences; Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences.

ACTION: Notice of an Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming meeting of the National Board for Education Sciences (NBES). The notice also describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of this meeting is required by Section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend the meeting.

DATES: January 31, 2014.

TIME: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

ADDRESSES: 80 F Street, NW, Large Board Room, Washington, DC 20001

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellie Pelaez, 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Room 600 E, Washington, DC 20208; phone: (202) 219-0644; fax: (202) 219-1402; e-mail: [Ellie.Pelaez@ed.gov](mailto:Ellie.Pelaez@ed.gov)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Board for Education Sciences is authorized by Section 116 of the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002 (ESRA), 20 U.S.C. 9516. The Board advises the Director of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) on, among other things, the establishments of activities to be supported by

the Institute, on the funding for applications for grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for research after the completion of peer review, and reviews and evaluates the work of the Institute.

On January 31, 2014, starting at 8:30 a.m., the Board meeting will commence and members will approve the agenda. From 8:35 to 9 a.m., the Board will hold elections for Chair and Vice Chair. At 9 a.m., there will be remarks from the former and new chair of the Board.

From 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., John Easton and the Commissioners of IES's national centers will then give an overview of recent developments at IES. A break will take place from 10:15 to 10:30 a.m.

The Board meeting will resume from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. when the Board will discuss the topic, "Ongoing efforts to improve IES: debriefing on the House Committee Hearing and GAO Report." Bridget Terry Long will provide the opening remarks and roundtable discussion will take place after. The meeting will break for lunch and annual ethics training from 11:30 to 1 p.m.

From 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., the Board will consider the topic, "Supporting English Language Learners." Following opening remarks by Sean Reardon of Stanford University, Gabriela Uro of the Council of Great City Schools, and Eileen de los Reyes of Boston Public Schools, Board members will engage in roundtable discussion of the issues raised. An afternoon break will take place from 2:30 to 2:45 p.m.

From 2:45 to 4:15 p.m., the Board will discuss the What Works Clearinghouse in regards to postsecondary education topics. After opening remarks from Ruth Neild, Commissioner of the National Center for Education Evaluation (NCEE) and Jeffrey Valentine, Principal Investigator for What Works Clearinghouse—Postsecondary Topics, the Board will engage in roundtable discussion of the topic.

Closing remarks and a consideration of next steps from the IES Director and NBES Chair will take place from 4:15 to 4:30 p.m., with adjournment scheduled for 4:30 p.m.

There will not be an opportunity for public comment. However, members of the public are encouraged to submit written comments related to NBES to Ellie Pelaez (see contact information above). A final agenda is available from Ellie Pelaez (see contact

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